

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Accompanying Continuation Application Under  
37 CFR 1.53(b):

Prior Application: K. YOSHIDA et al  
Serial No. 09/987,816  
Filed: November 16, 2001

Group Art Unit: Not Yet Assigned  
Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
For: A COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 5, 2001

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application  
as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1-11 without prejudice or disclaimer.

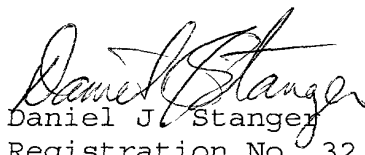
REMARKS

The Applicants request entry of the foregoing amendment.

Claims 1-11 were part of the specification originally  
filed in the prior application. New claims have been added in  
the new specification filed for this continuation application.  
Claims 1-11 were contained in the new specification as filed

concurrently with this Preliminary Amendment, for the purpose of ensuring specification support for the subject matter contained therein. However, the Applicants do not wish to pursue examination of claims 1-11 as presently submitted, in this continuation application, and thus they have been canceled. The Applicants do not disclaim any of the subject matter of claims 1-11.

Respectfully submitted,



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